

# Tulare County Office of Education

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## **Media Alert**

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## **Tulare County Office of Education Announces: 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry & Prose begins March 25 and continues through April 4**

**TCOE Administration Building, 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia**

*Visalia* – The 40<sup>th</sup> Annual **Poetry & Prose** program is scheduled for **March 25-28 and April 1, 3 and 4** in the Tulare County Office of Education Administration Building located at 6200 S. Mooney Blvd. in Visalia. This countywide oral interpretation event for students in grades K-8 provides an opportunity for participants to recite before an appreciative audience. The public is welcome to attend this free event.

This year, Tulare, Kings, and Fresno county schools are sending a record-breaking 2,000 students from over 120 schools to the seven-day event. In total, students will deliver 822 performances. Students prepare poems or dramatic readings and perform either individually or in small groups. A judge provides positive and instructional critiques, and evaluates each performance. Every student receives a personalized Achievement Award Certificate.

### **Poetry & Prose Schedule**

March 25: 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.

March 26: 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.

March 27: 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 1:00 p.m.

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March 28: 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

April 1: 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.

April 3: 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

April 4: 9:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

For information on Poetry & Prose, contact Robert Herman, communications director, at (559) 733-6606, or visit [www.tcoe.org/PNP](http://www.tcoe.org/PNP).

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